

ACS Recovery Simulation During Eclipses (1 of 6)



- **Eclipse Season**

- Twice a year, lasts about 31 days per season
- Eclipse occurs once a day, duration peaks at about 70 min.

- **Eclipse Simulation**

- **NRL FAME Simulator**

- Set solar radiation pressure to zero for 70 min. in every 24 hr orbit period

- Two models evaluated:

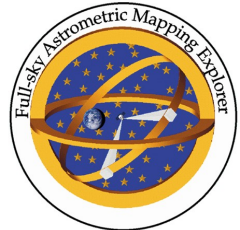
- Baseline model with gravity gradient torque only
- Representative model (representative errors in mass property, optical property, geometry/deployment; gravity gradient and magnetic torque disturbances)

- Not included:

- Thermal radiation torque
- Jitter due to thermal snap
- Spin rate change due to s/c expansion/contraction

- **Definition for ACS recovery**

- Nutation angle requirement: TBD
- Cross-scan requirement: +/- 10 pixels in 1.56 sec
- Spin rate variation requirement: +/- 0.262 μ rad/sec over 300 sec

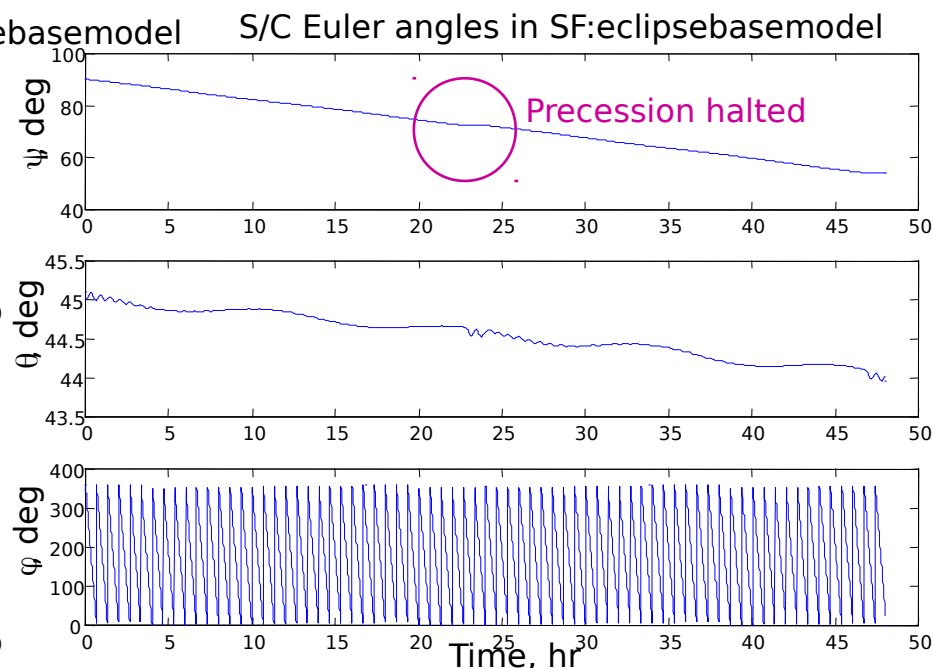
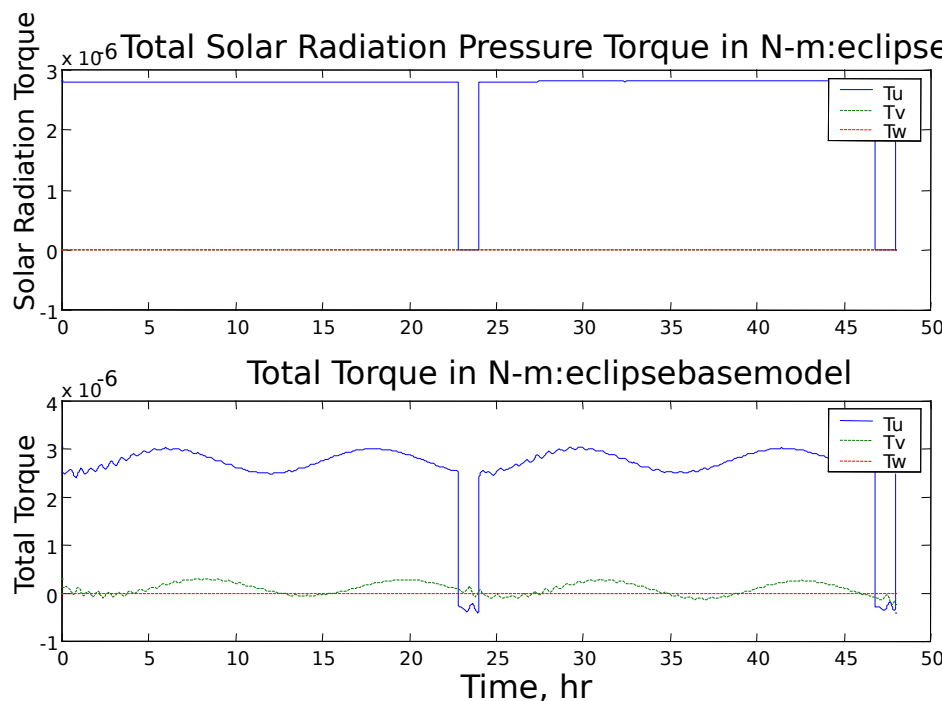
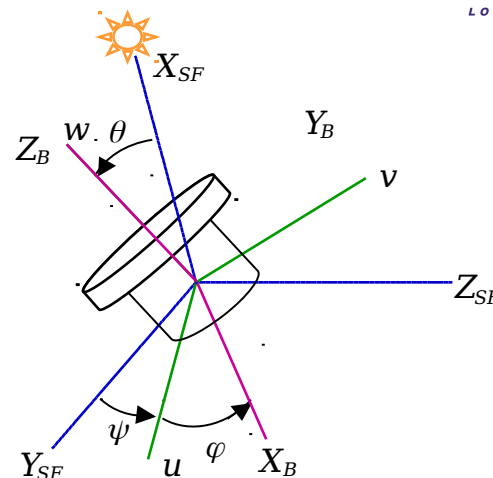


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• S/C attitude behavior from the baseline model

- Precession is halted during eclipse due to zero solar radiation pressure
- Transient oscillations in sun angle immediately after the eclipse





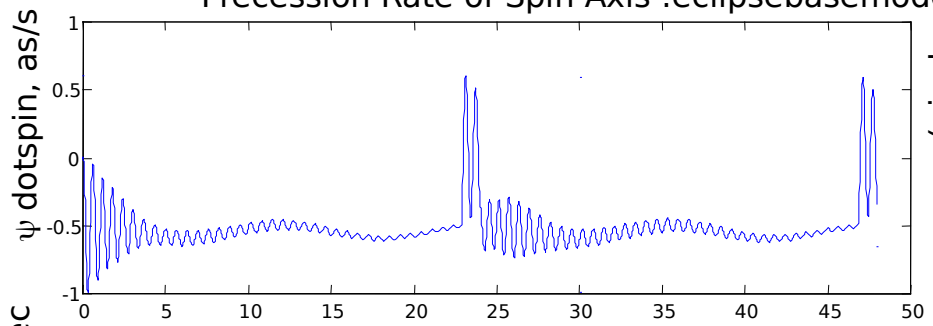
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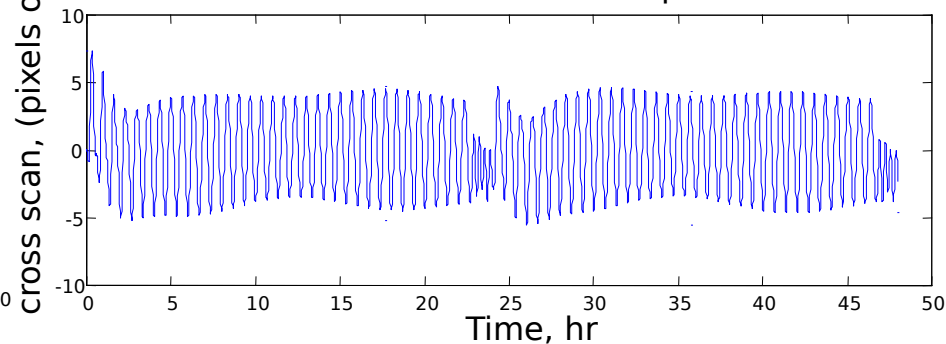
• S/C attitude behavior from the baseline model (cont.)

- ▶ Transient oscillations visible in precession rate and nutation angle
- ▶ Major transient nutation damps out in about 6 hours (rate feedback damping)
- ▶ Cross-scan pixel motion stays within ± 10 pixels during and immediately after the eclipse
- ▶ Spin rate remains unaffected

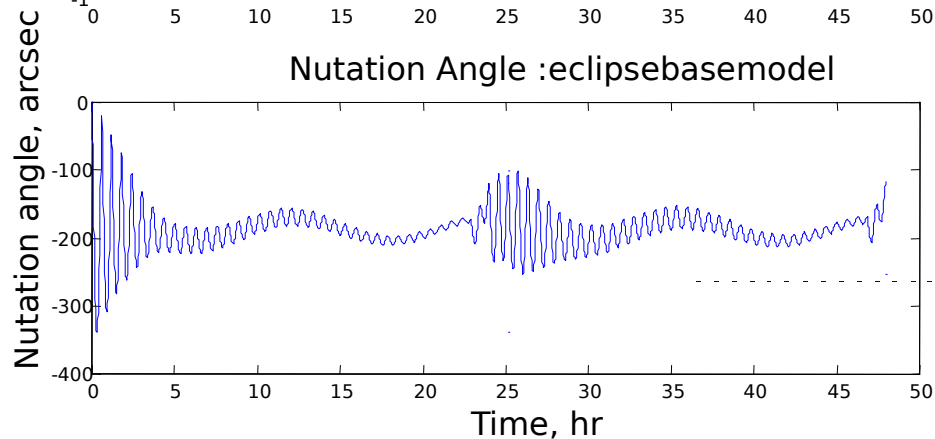
Precession Rate of Spin Axis :eclipsebasemodel



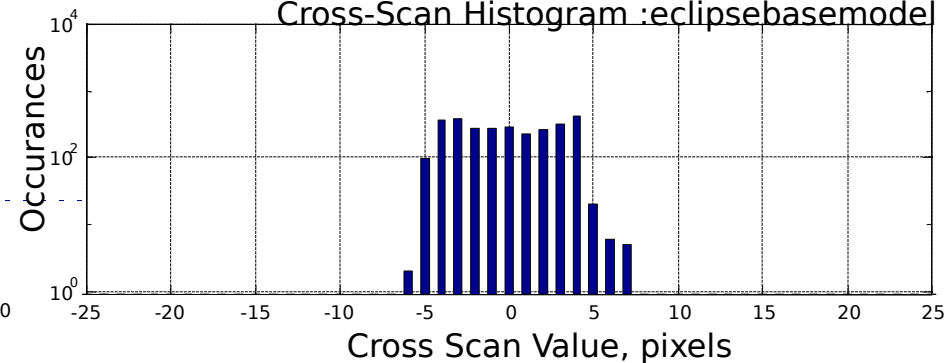
Cross scan motion :eclipsebasemodel

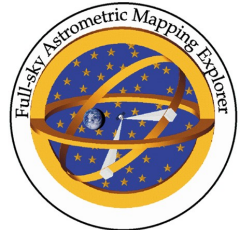


Nutation Angle :eclipsebasemodel



Cross-Scan Histogram :eclipsebasemodel

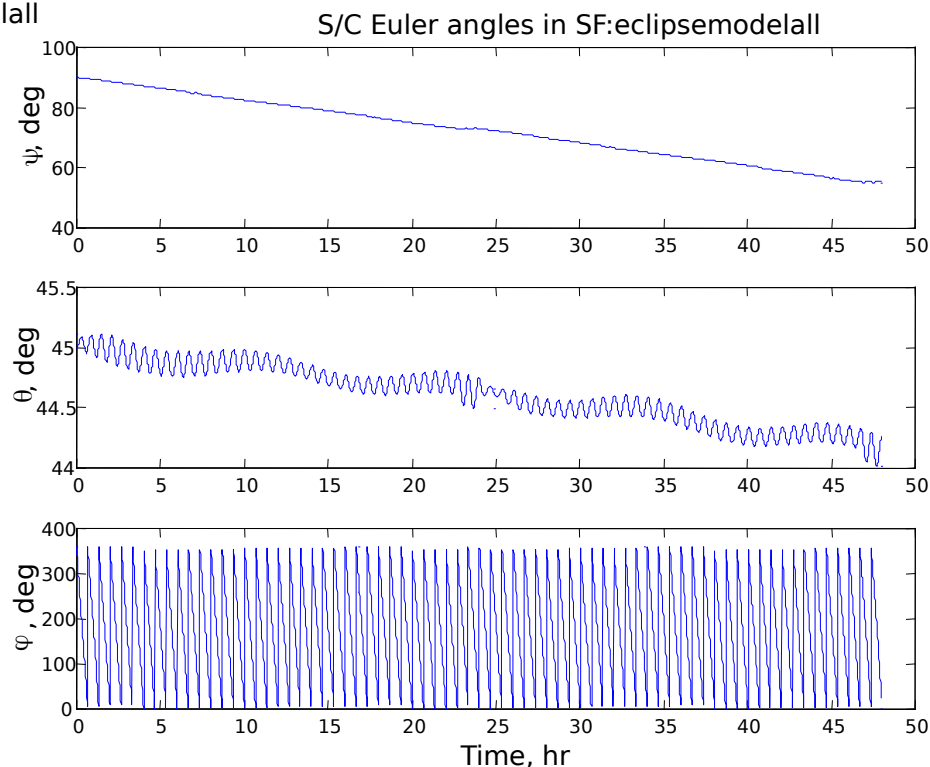
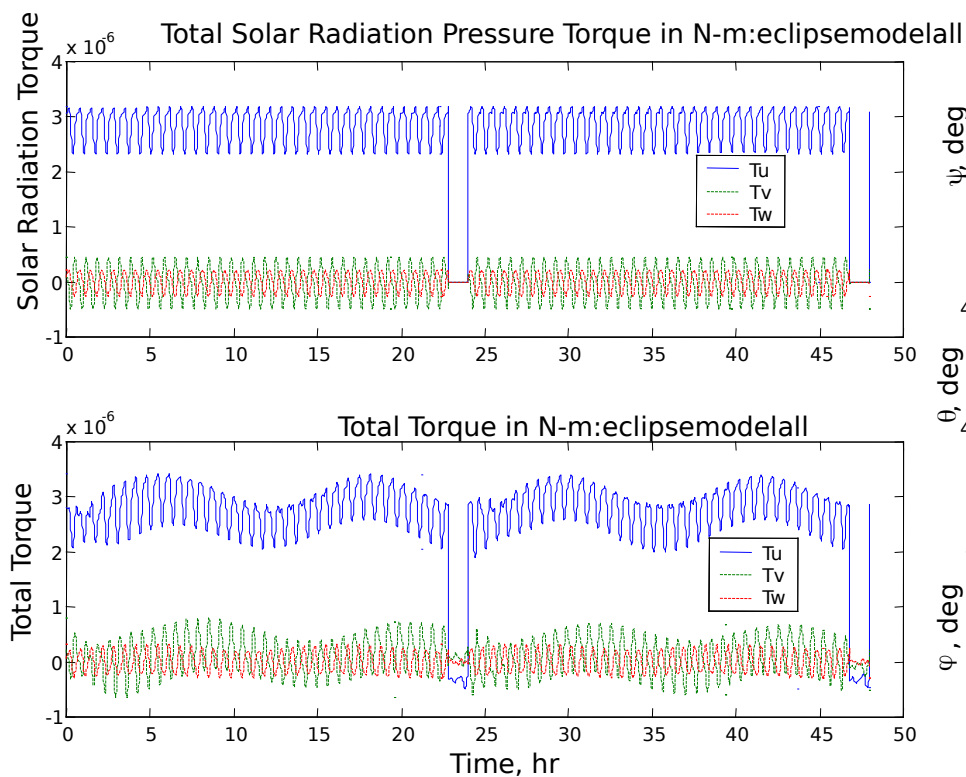




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- S/C attitude behavior from the representative model

- ▶ Precession is driven by disturbance torque other than solar radiation pressure during eclipse
- ▶ Changes in oscillations in sun angle during and immediately after the eclipse





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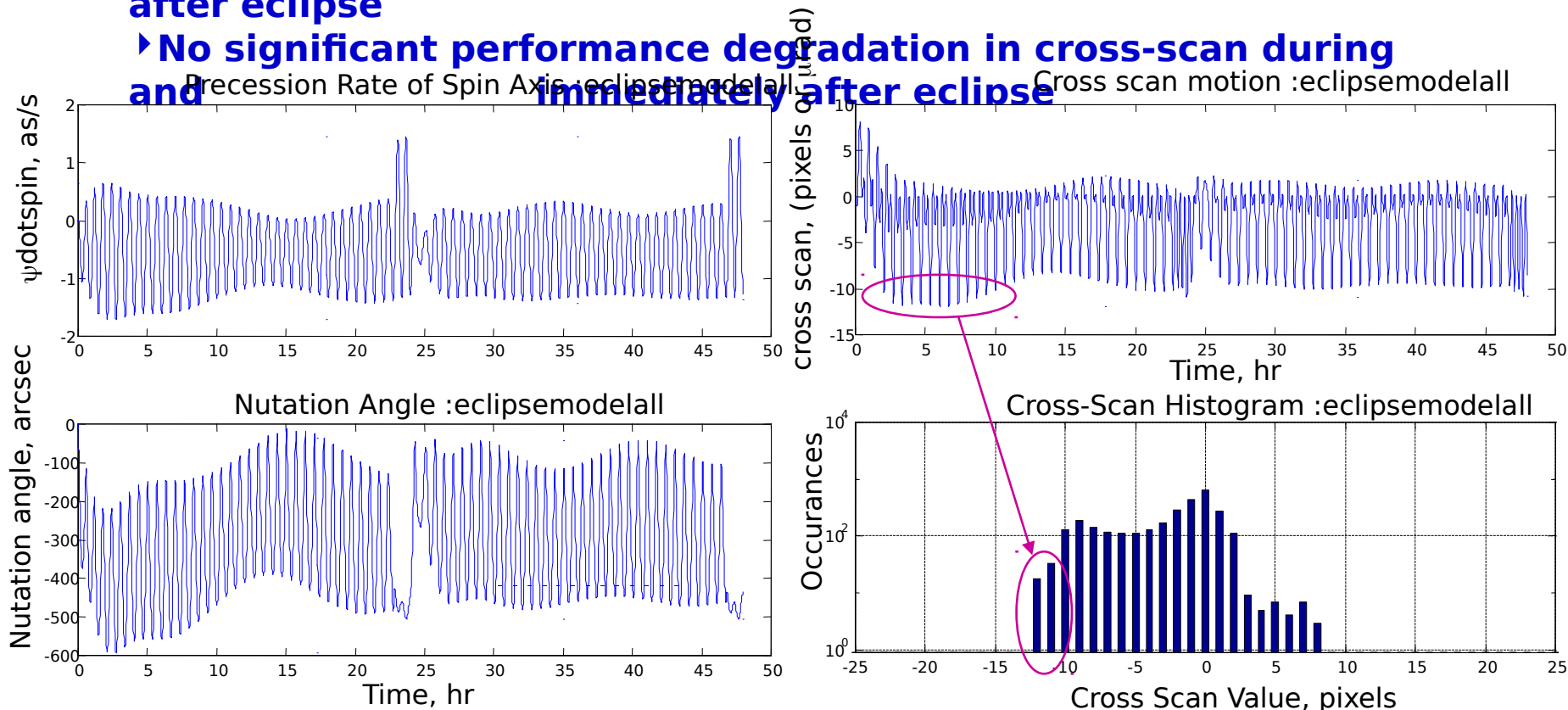


• S/C attitude behavior from the representative model (cont.)

► Nutation angle oscillation amplitude diminishes during eclipse due to precession rate bias change (from 0.5 as/s to 0 as/s)

► No noticeable change in nutation angle pattern before and after eclipse

► No significant performance degradation in cross-scan during and immediately after eclipse





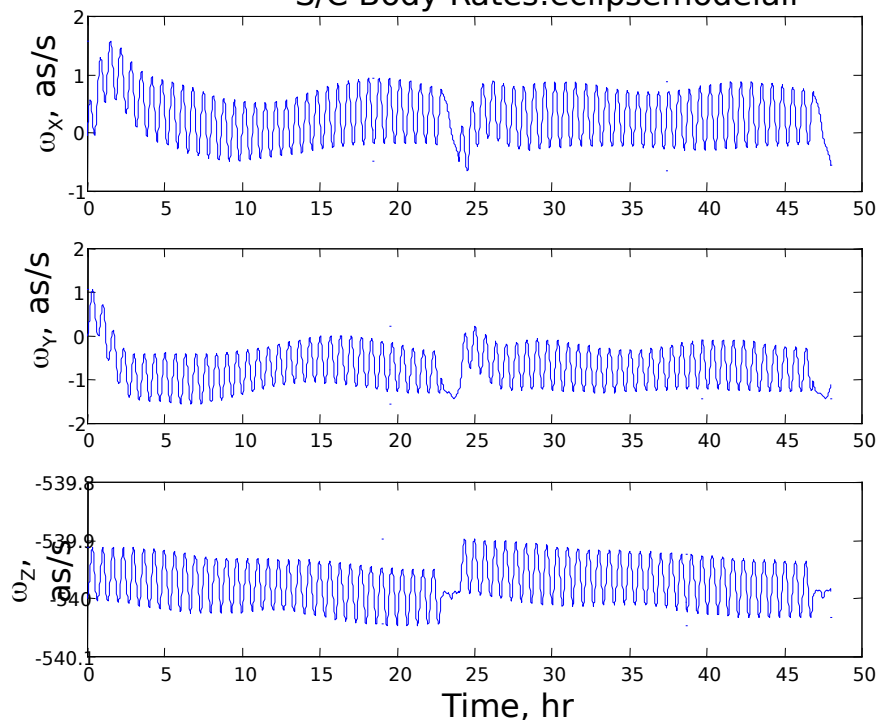
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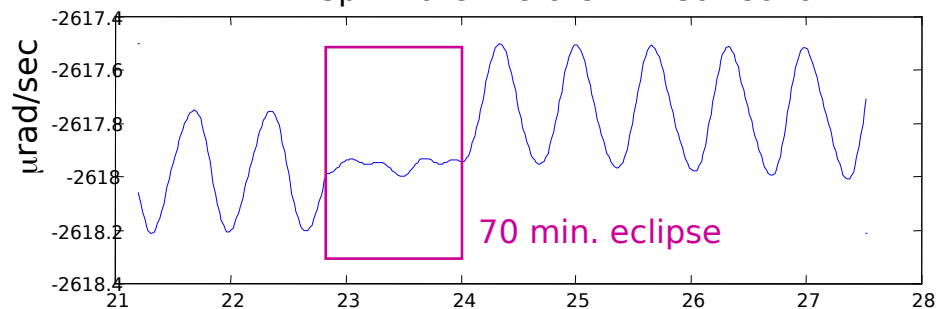
• S/C attitude behavior from the representative model (cont.)

- ▶ Spin rate pattern resumes immediately after the eclipse
- ▶ Spin rate oscillation is less during the eclipse
- ▶ TDI rate adjustment is not needed during the eclipse

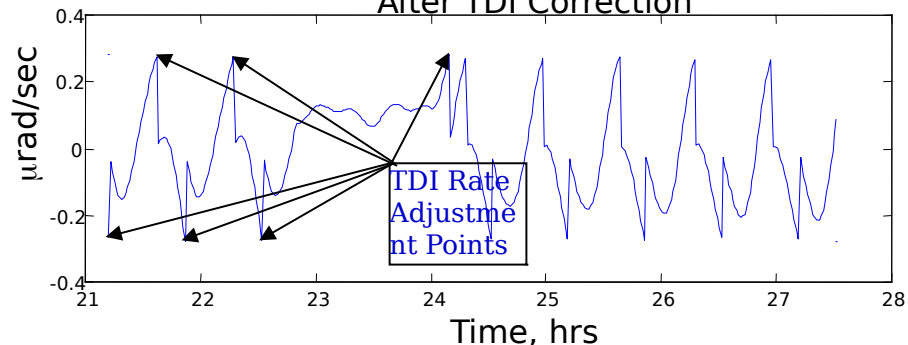
S/C Body Rates:eclipsemodelall



Spin Rate: Before TDI Correction



After TDI Correction





Relationship Between Precession Rate Variation and Cross-Scan Error

- Relationship between precession rate and cross-scan pixel motion for a given time window (Δt):

$$P_{cross_scan} = (\psi \sin \theta) (\cos \varphi) \Delta t \text{ (pixels or } \mu\text{rad)}$$

- For the precession period of 20 days with $\Delta t = 1.56$ sec (CCD crossing time)

$$P_{cross_scan} = (3.64 \mu\text{rad/sec}) (\sin 45^\circ) (\cos \varphi) (1.56 \text{ sec}) \text{ or}$$

$$P_{cross_scan} = 4.01 (\cos \varphi) \text{ (pixels)}$$

- Absolute maximum cross scan motion thus becomes

$$P_{cross_scan}^{\max} = 4.01 \text{ (pixels)}$$

